

Summer 2009

Dear Aquacamp Parents:

**Welcome!**

We are very excited about our upcoming summer season and look forward to meeting our new campers. Throughout the years, Aquacamp has offered participants the opportunity to learn water safety and receive instruction in swimming, boogie boarding, body surfing, and marine life. This camp also includes outings to area beaches providing campers a variety of ocean experience, while combining arts and crafts, group games, and skill building activities. With the addition of new guest speakers and variety of activities we are excited to offer the most productive, fun and educational experience.

Please read through all of the information carefully.

**Activity calendars:**

The Aquatic Section is providing activity calendars to assist with any required preparation for each days listed activities, and for reference. Staff does their very best to adhere to the distributed calendar, but activities are subject to change based on decisions regarding the environment, safety or other conditions related to camper needs. Due to the size of the camp and the limited space on the bus we will not have room to permit parents or other guests to accompany the camp on excursions or daily activities.

**Daily Camp Schedule:**

Please read the camp schedule each day, and notify staff in the Aquatic Section by calling the Cabrillo Bathhouse at 897-2680 for the following situations:

- Your child will not be attending camp,
- You will be late dropping off or picking up your child.
- You need to contact your child.

In the event that you need to contact your child during camp hours please call the Cabrillo Bathhouse (897-2680) and they will immediately call the camp directors.

**Sun and Sunscreen awareness:**

Here at Aquacamp we not only care about having a fun learning experience, but your child's safety as well. We request that parents send their child to camp already wearing sunscreen, and a bottle to reapply throughout the day. Our counselors will make sure that sunscreen is reapplied three to five times daily, depending on the activity. If you feel that your child is at high risk to burn, or has sensitive skin we recommend they wear a hat, sunglasses, and rash guard.

**What to Bring to Camp Each Day:**

Every morning, your child must arrive with a bathing suit and sunscreen already on. They also should bring the following, which should fit into a backpack:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen with SPF of 15 or higher | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle with fluids      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking shoes                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Sack lunch                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweatshirt or light jacket         | <input type="checkbox"/> Snack for the end of the day. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Hat or visor</u>                |  |

Boogie boards can also be brought on beach field trips, and we encourage families to clearly mark all with their name.

The camp will provide a juice pack toward the end of each day, however if your child has special tastes, or dietary needs please pack them as well. If your child requires medication during the day, please contact Tasha Landwijt or Alisa Lopez before the first day of camp because there are staff restrictions for administering medications, and there is a set procedure for medicine drop-off.

Campers should not bring the following items or anything of value that could be lost or broken during the day:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Roller shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> IPODS/ Gameboys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bikes        | <input type="checkbox"/> Toys            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Knives       | <input type="checkbox"/> Books           |
|                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Trading cards   |

**Drop Off and Pick Up:**

It is essential for your child to be dropped off by 9:00 a.m. and picked up at 4:00 p.m. at Casa Las Palmas (mountain side of Chase Palm Park), located at 323 E. Cabrillo Blvd.

Please park along the south side of Cabrillo Blvd., near the crosswalk, and walk in. Please do not use the turn around. Campers must be signed in and out by an adult each day. There will be a sign-in table on the patio near the concession stand. There is a late fee of \$5 for every 15 minutes the child waits at camp after the paid program time.

**Note:**

Every Thursday of camp due to the Music in the Park Series, the pick-up site will be the **Cabrillo Bathhouse located at 1118 E. Cabrillo Blvd.** This will also serve as the back-up pick up location should there ever be an occasion that Casa Las Palmas was unable to be accessed.

**Camp Directors and Staff are to request a picture ID of any adult, parent, or individual that is seeking to release into their custody a registered camp participant. Camp Directors must receive in advance written permission from a parent authorizing release of their camper to someone not previously included in the Camper Information Forms.**

**Extended Day Care:**

If you are enrolled in extended care, you may drop off your child from 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. and pick up between 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. at Casa Las Palmas. All children must be picked up by 5:30 p.m. If you would like Extended Care and have not yet registered please call the Parks and Recreation Department Registration desk at 564-5418, between 8:00 am and 5:30 pm.

On behalf of the Aquacamp Staff, welcome to our program. Please feel free to call the Aquatics Section at (805) 897-2680 if you have any further questions or comments. We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

Tasha Landwijt & Alisa Lopez  
Aquacamp Directors  
897-2680

Sincerely,

Rich Hanna  
Aquatic Recreation Supervisor  
897-2680